

the Rules Committee report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Gilman; Representatives Smith of New Jersey, Manzullo, Brady, Smith of Texas and Watt of North Carolina.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Science: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 2544, Technology Transfer Commercialization Act of 1997; H.R. 3007, Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Act; H.R. 3332, Next Generation Internet Research Act of 1998; and H.R. 3824, amending the Fastener Quality Act to exempt from its coverage certain fasteners approved by the Federal Aviation Administration for use in aircraft.

The Committee also considered pending Committee business.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads concluded hearings on the Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization: Rates, Access and Remedies. Testimony was heard from Linda J. Morgan, Chairwoman, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D460)

H.J. Res. 102, expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the modern State of Israel and reaffirming the bonds of friendship and cooperation between the United States and Israel. Signed May 11, 1998. (P.L. 105-175)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to hold hearings on the Department of Agriculture's Year 2000 compliance, 9 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, to hold hearings to examine the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Gang Resistance, Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) program, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine the Employee Retirement Income Security Act's (ERISA) preemption, focusing on remedies for denied or delayed health claims, 12:30 p.m., SD-138.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on titles IX and X of S. 1693, to renew, reform, reinvigorate, and protect the National Park System, and S. 1614, to require a permit for the making of motion picture, television program, or other forms of commercial visual depiction in a unit of the National Park System or National Wildlife Refuge System, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance, business meeting, to mark up S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings to review the United States interest at the June 1998 U.S.-China Summit, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine United States policy toward Iran, 1:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine the safety of food imports, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Full Committee, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10:15 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business, to hold hearings on the nomination of Fred P. Hochberg, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator of the Small Business Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 3:30 p.m., SH-219.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see page E856 in today's Record.

House

Committee on Commerce, to mark up the following measures: H. Con. Res. 171, declaring the memorial service sponsored by the National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Memorial Service Board of Directors to honor emergency medical services personnel to be the "National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Service"; H.R. 2202, National Bone Marrow Registry Reauthorization Act of 1998; and H.R. 3849, Internet Tax Freedom Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on China Trade Policy, 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, to mark up the following bills:

H.R. 2869, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to exempt safety and health assessments, audits, and reviews conducted by or for an employer from enforcement action under such Act; H.R. 2873, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970; H.R. 2661, Sound Scientific Practices Act; and H.R. 3725, Postal Service Health and Safety Promotion Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on the Status of Efforts to Identify Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses: Tumor Data, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, to mark up the following resolutions: H. Res. 392, relating to the importance of Japanese-American relations and the urgent need for Japan to more effectively address its economic and financial problems and open its markets by eliminating informal barriers to trade and investment, thereby making a more effective contribution to leading the Asian region out of its current financial crisis, insuring against a global recession, and reinforcing regional stability and security; and H. Res. 404, commemorating 100 years of relations between the people of the United States and the people of the Philippines; 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to continue markup of H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998, and to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2604, Religious Liberty and Charitable Donation Protection Act of 1997; and H.R. 3736, Workforce Improvement and Protection Act of 1998, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, oversight hearing on Congressional Recognition for Acts of Exceptional Valor by Public Safety Officers, 9 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 2760, Disabled Sportsmen's Access Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on Forest Health in the Rocky Mountain West, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, oversight hearing on Communicating Science and Engineering in a Sound-Bite World, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology and the Subcommittee on Management, Information, and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, joint oversight hearing on Millennium Short Circuit: The Y2K Effect on Energy Utilities, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Empowerment, hearing on how to best obtain drug-free work places, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on the Status of Aviation Security efforts with a focus on the National Safe Skies Alliance and Passenger Profiling Criteria, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Criminal Liability for Oil Pollution, 10 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the GAO report of the Inspector General investigation of an alleged cover-up of deaths at the Columbia, Missouri VA Medical Center in 1992, and an examination of VA's Development of a quality assurance/risk management reporting system, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3828, Veterans Medicare Access Improvement Act of 1998; and H.R. 3809, Drug Free Borders Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.